

Taylor expansion $f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n$

MGFs $MGF_X(s) = E[e^{sx}]$

$\frac{d^k}{ds^k} MGF_X(s) \Big|_{s=0} = E[X^k]$

Tells us the 'moments' of a RV $MGF_X(0) = E[e^{sX}] = I$

Derived distributions

Given a RV as a function of a known continuous RV,
find paf of the continuous RV

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$P(X = k)$$

$$P(X^3 = k) = P(X = \sqrt[3]{k})$$

instead, for continuous RV,
find CDF & differentiate
for pdf

3. Transform Practice

Consider a random variable Z with transform

$$M_Z(s) = \frac{a - 3s}{s^2 - 6s + 8}, \quad \text{for } |s| < 2.$$

Calculate the following quantities:

(a) The numerical value of the parameter a .

$$(b) E[Z]$$

$$M_Z(s) = I = \frac{a - 3s}{8} \Rightarrow a = 8$$

(c) $\text{var}(Z)$.

b) i^{th} moment of r.v. X $\left[E[X^k] = \frac{d^k}{ds^k} MGF_X(s) \Big|_{s=0} \right]$

$$\begin{aligned} E[Z^i] &= \frac{d^i}{ds^i} MGF(s) \Big|_{s=0} \\ &= \frac{d^i}{ds^i} \left(\frac{a - 3s}{s^2 - 6s + 8} \right) \Big|_{s=0} \\ &= \frac{(-3)(s-4)(s-2) - (2s-6)(a-3s)}{(s-4)^2(s-2)^2} \Big|_{s=0} \end{aligned}$$

MGF of $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$E[e^{sx}] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{sx} f(x) dx$$

$$= \dots$$

$$\frac{g'(h) - h'g}{h^2} \Big|_{s=0}$$

$$\frac{-3(-4)(-2) - (-6)(8)}{(-4)^2(-2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-24 + 48}{64} = \frac{24}{64} =$$

2. Revisiting Facts Using Transforms

(a) The MGF of a Poisson X with mean λ is $M_X(s) = E[\exp(sX)] = \exp(\lambda(\exp(s)-1))$. Let $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$, $Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu)$ be independent. Calculate the MGF of $X+Y$ and use this to show that $X+Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda+\mu)$.

(b) The MGF of $X \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$ is $M_X(s) = E[\exp(sX)] = \lambda/(s-\lambda)$. Use this to find all of the moments of X .

Hint: You could take the k^{th} derivatives. However, think about writing the MGF in two different ways as infinite series and match terms.

(c) The MGF of $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ is $\exp(\frac{s^2}{2})$. Similar as the above part, use this to find all the moments of X .

Hint: Derivatives are not required here either. $MGF_X(s) = e^{\frac{s^2}{2}} = E[e^{sx}] = g(s) = g(\lambda)$

$$\begin{aligned} E[e^{s(x+y)}] &= E[e^{s(x+y)}] = E[e^{sx} e^{sy}] = E[e^{sx}] E[e^{sy}] \\ &= e^{\lambda(e^s-1)} e^{\mu(e^s-1)} = \frac{(e^s-1)}{e} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow X+Y \sim \text{Poi}(\lambda+\mu)$$

$$b) e^{sx} = 1 + sx + \frac{(sx)^2}{2!} + \frac{(sx)^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \left(\alpha_1 s^1 + \alpha_2 s^2 + \alpha_3 s^3 + \dots \right)$$

$$i) E[s^i] = \frac{1}{1-s} s \frac{E[x]}{1} + \frac{s^2 E[x^2]}{2!} + \dots = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^i}{i!} E[x^i]$$

$$\frac{1}{1-s} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i s^i$$

$$\therefore = r \sqrt{k} - 1 s^{-k}$$

$$\frac{a}{1-s} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i s^i$$

$$\text{if } E(e^{sx}) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda-s} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{s}{\lambda}} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{s}{\lambda}\right)^i$$

$$E(X^k) = \frac{s^k}{k!} E(X^k) = \left(\frac{s}{\lambda}\right)^k$$

$$E(X^k) = \frac{k!}{\lambda^k}$$

- (a) Suppose that X has the standard normal distribution, that is, X is a continuous random variable with density function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2}\right).$$

What is the density function of $\exp X$? (The answer is called the lognormal distribution.)

$$e^x \in [1, \infty), f(x) > 0$$

- (b) Suppose that X is a continuous random variable with density f . What is the density of X^2 ?

- (c) What is the answer to the previous question when X has the standard normal distribution? (This is known as the chi-squared distribution.)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) Let } Y = e^X, \quad f_Y(k) &= \frac{d}{dk} F_Y(k) = \frac{d}{dk} \Pr(Y \leq k) \\ &= \frac{d}{dk} \Pr(e^X \leq k) \quad \text{In both sides} \\ f_X(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x) \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-\lambda x} \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda} f_X(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } Y = X^2, \quad k > 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(k) &= \frac{d}{dk} F_Y(k) = \frac{d}{dk} \Pr(X^2 \leq k) \\ &= \frac{d}{dk} \Pr(-\sqrt{k} \leq X \leq \sqrt{k}) = \frac{d}{dk} \int_{-\sqrt{k}}^{\sqrt{k}} f_X(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \int_{g(x)}^{f(x)} h(t) dt &= h(f(x)) f'(x) - h(g(x)) g'(x) \\ &= f_X(\sqrt{k}) \frac{d}{dk} \sqrt{k} - f_X(-\sqrt{k}) \frac{d}{dk} -\sqrt{k} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dk} k^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{f_X(\sqrt{k})}{2\sqrt{k}} + \frac{f_X(-\sqrt{k})}{2\sqrt{k}}$$

$k^{\text{th}} \text{ mmt of } R \times X$

$$E(X^k)$$

$$MGF_X(s)$$

3. First Time to Decrease

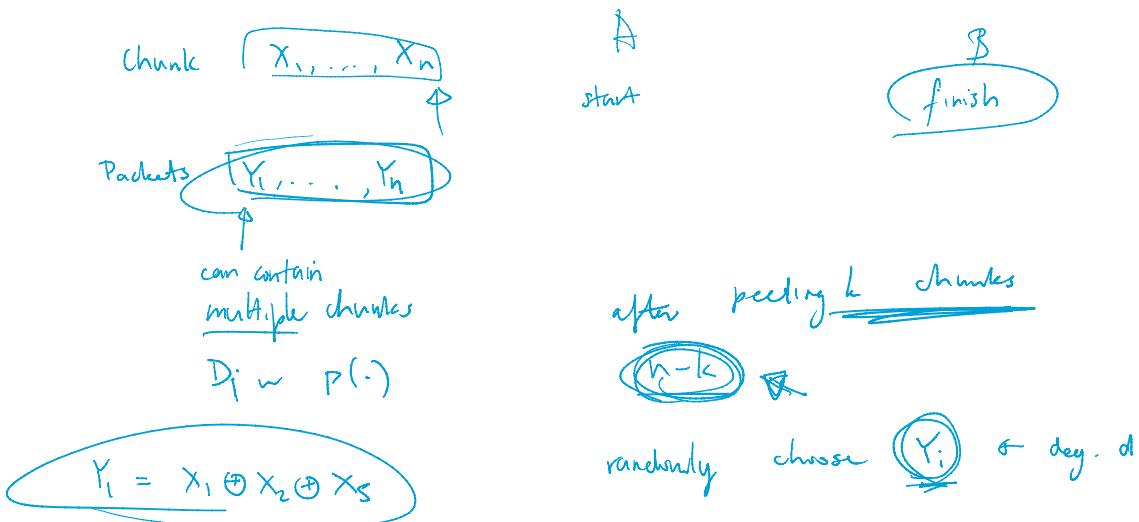
Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, \dots$ be a sequence of independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) continuous random variables with common PDF f .

- Argue that $\Pr(X_i = X_j) = 0$ for $i \neq j$.
- Calculate $\Pr(X_1 \leq X_2 \leq \dots \leq X_{n-1})$.
- Let N be a random variable which is equal to the first time that the sequence of the random variables will decrease, i.e.

$$N = \min\{n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 2} \mid X_{n-1} > X_n\}.$$

Calculate $E[N]$.

$$\left. \frac{d^k}{ds^k} MGF_X(s) \right|_{s=0} = E(X^k)$$



denote

$$Y_1 = X_2$$

MGF: $MGF(s) = E[e^{sx}]$ always

MGF $\rightarrow E[X^k]$ \leftarrow kth moment of X

$$\frac{d^k}{ds^k} MGF_X(s) \Big|_{s=0} = E(X^k)$$

$$X \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$MGF_X(s) =$$